

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Applicant acknowledges, with thanks, the office action dated May 13, 2009, and completion of the telephonic interview of June 26, 2009. The Examiner's observations and suggestions are much appreciated, and further refinement to all claims to be more patentably distinct over the art of record has been completed. Claims 1-7, 9-16, and 18 are currently pending.

Claims 1-3, 5, 6, 9, 10-12, 14, 15, and 18 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 7,092,117 to Kageyama et al. (*hereinafter*, "Kageyama"), in view of U.S. Patent Publication No. 2004/0190042 to Ferlitsch et al. (*hereinafter*, "Ferlitsch"). Claims 4, 7, 13, and 16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Kageyama, in view of Ferlitsch, and in further view of U.S. Patent No. 5,450,571 to Rosekrans et al. (*hereinafter*, "Rosekrans").

The subject application teaches a system that allows users to print documents, giving them the option to save their print job and finishing instructions in specialized storage locations, called cabinets, that is disposed on a data storage of an intelligent printer controller. Many print jobs that users send to a printer will be printed again at some point in the future. Often such print jobs will be with the same finishing options as used before, such as printing, stapling, duplex, hole punching, etc. A printer typically received print data in a page description language, and rasterized it to a bitmapped image prior to affixing it to a medium, such as paper. Earlier systems have cached or stored previously submitted print jobs, but have typically done so in a preset, open manner that frequently results in storage of the large bitmapped image data file. The subject application teaches an embodiment wherein a user sends a page description language print job, along with printer job language instructions, to the printer controller that is associated with a plurality of printing devices, each of which has an associated job queue. The controller parses the PJJ, and if an instruction is found that dictates a cabinet storage is desired, the controller will both rasterize and print the job with requested finishing parameters, and store the page description language file and finishing instructions in a cabinet that corresponds to a source of the print request, such as a cabinet tied to a user submitting the job or a cabinet specifically selected by the user. Concurrent with the storage operation, the controller sends the rasterized print job to a print device having the smallest queue. A user can then login to the controller, and

select a cabinet where they had previously sent a job for storage. The user can view the documents in the cabinet if they are authorized to do so, and then select and reprint the documents as desired.

Amendment has been made to each of independent claims 1 and 10 to further clarify the unique, secure, efficient and organized print/print-to-cabinet system summarized above. As amended, all claims now include limitations wherein a user's print command, suitably emanating from a print driver associated with an application on a networked workstation, facilitates a concurrent print operation and storage operation tied to the user, to allow for quick storage and quick rendering from a first available printing device associated with the controller.

Kageyama is directed to a print system that facilitates archived storage of print jobs and job tickets, but does not do so in a manner that allows a print operation itself to include PCL commands relative to both printing and archiving. Kageyama requires a user to engage an interface for registering a document in the archive. See, e.g., col. 4, lines 28-44. Thus, archiving is not done transparently with a print operation. The deficiencies of Kageyama are not overcome by the teachings of the other cited references.

In view of the amendments and arguments set forth below, it is submitted that all pending claims are patentably distinct over the art of record.

In accordance with the afore-noted amendments and comments, it is submitted that all claims are patentably distinct over the art, and in condition for allowance thereover. An early allowance of all claims is respectfully requested.

If there are any fees necessitated by the foregoing communication, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0902, referencing our Docket No. 66329/31351.

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